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'Cuban Exiles' Boats Strafe Havana Coast

**President's Home
Target of Raid;
Fidel Blames U. S.**

HAVANA, Cuba (Reuters)

— A "pirate" launch opened fire early Sunday on the sea-front house of Cuban President Osvaldo Dorticos under cover of darkness.

The high-powered launch sprayed .50-caliber bullets on the nearby Havana Aquarium but apparently did not hit anyone.

Premier Fidel Castro angrily denounced the raid in a nationwide television broadcast. He blamed "imperialist yankees" for this and an earlier attack by another pirate boat on the Havana waterfront in the central part of the capital.

No Panic Reported

The second attack near the residential area of Parque Maceo awakened residents, but there was no panic and nobody was reported hurt.

The president's house in the residential Miramar area backs almost directly on the sea. It has permanent guards and roadblocks out-

side with a searchlight mounted nearby.

The launches, one of which sprayed machinegun bullets on nearby buildings in the second attack, withdrew to sea within seconds of opening fire.

Boats Return Safely

(It was not immediately known where the launches came from. Cuban exile sources in Miami said the Cuban Representation in Exile (RECE) group carried out the strafing raids and their boats returned safely to base "somewhere in the Caribbean.")

"Who shall we make responsible for these attacks? Imperialist yankees," Castro replied.

He accused the U. S. Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) of being responsible and said:

"We will continue to arm ourselves no matter how much it costs. We will arm ourselves to the teeth and we will give our last drop of blood."

'True Colors Shown'

Castro said he was glad the imperialists had shown themselves in their true colors because in that way Cuba would not be fooled.

"Those wretches who are at the service of imperialism . . . fire on the house of a mother of a child," Castro said. "They will suffer defeat as they did on September 28."

It was on that date that Castro proclaimed his open-door policy for the departure of refugees to the U. S.